## **HIV Latino Summit 2000**

September 27 through September 29, 2000 Los Angeles, CA

**Sponsors:** California Department of Health Services, Office of AIDS

Office of Minority Health

Glaxo - Wellcome

**Fee:** \$25

<u>Summit Purpose</u>: The purpose of this Summit is to bring people together to form consensus, build capacity in a skill building format, impact policy and participate in long term HIV/AIDS binational issues. The conference will provide an information exchange in a teaching and skill building manner and launch a vehicle to trigger movement within the Latino population in California. It will also allow individuals the opportunity to develop the group process, encourage self analysis and provide a forum for long term planning of future goals. The beginning of the Summit will focus on reflecting on the work of the Symposium participants. From there, participants will work towards establishing a mechanism to implement and monitor the recommendations.

<u>Summit Participants</u>: Summit participants need to be representative of all entities that provide direct services to the Latino HIV/AIDS community. For example, the intended participants of this conference are defined broadly as AIDS Service Organization and Community Based Organization Staff; federal, state, and local public health personnel; community health leaders, educators and planners; case and disease management professionals; managed care administrators; health professionals; epidemiologists; volunteers; clients; advocacy groups and policy makers. Participants will be selected on a first-come, first-served registration process.

## **Summit Format:**

- Summit Participants will be responsible for the implementation phase of Findings on the Rural and Urban HIV Latino Symposiums. This will include setting timelines and assigning responsibility for the achievement of the documented recommendations.
- Summit will consist of six breakout groups, each group representing one topic. Each group will be multi-disciplinary. For example, each group will have member representatives from the following: a researcher, a community health outreach worker, a person living with AIDS, a health department manager, a nurse, an STD surveillance investigator, an HIV counselor, and so forth. A facilitator, a resource person and one recorder will attend a training specifically designed for this Summit and they will be responsible for administrative tasks.

## **Summit Topics**:

- Migrant Issues
- Women's Issues
- Intracultural Diversity
- Youth Issues
- Substance Use
- Men who have Sex with Men

These topics were determined to be the topics of interest from a survey that was sent out to solicit input for the Symposiums. Within these topics there are many subtopics that will be addressed in plenary sessions as well as in the working group breakout sessions.

Participants will be asked to choose one topic of interest that you will remain focused on throughout the Summit.

<u>Language</u>: Individuals will be free to speak in either Spanish, English or both during the Summit. All facilitators, resource people and recorders will be bilingual.

<u>Hotel Information</u>: The Wilshire Grand Hotel in Los Angeles, California is centrally located in the heart of downtown Los Angeles at 930 Wilshire Boulevard. It has easy access to four major freeways and is situated just 15 miles from the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and 18 miles from Burbank Airport. RDL Enterprises has secured a block of rooms for this Summit at a rate of \$110 per night. This rate is only effective until August 15, 2000. After this date, upon availability, the minimum rate per room is \$169. The direct telephone number to the hotel is (213) 688-7777 and reservations is (888) 773-2888.

Additional Summit Information: For additional information on the HIV Latino Summit 2000 please contact Schenelle Flores at (916) 327-3246 or via e-mail at sflores1@dhs.ca.gov.